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EDITOR'S COLUMN

McKINLEY'S GREAT DANGER.

It is supposed and taken for granted by newspapers within and without the State of Delaware, that the Union Republicans have acquiesced in every act of the present National administration.

Heretofore no open dissent or protest has been made, because the Union Republicans were too patriotic to cry out against grave wrongs and base ingratitude, when their country was engaged in a war with a foreign nation.

Now the foreign war is gloriously ended. There remains but domestic insurrection in our newly acquired territory, and in the province of human nature, it can not longer be expected of us "to kiss the hand that smites us," Hereafter' as our country is not in peril, we will give utterance to our opinions and criticisms in no uncertain manner.—"Chronicle."

Does the President realize his peril? Suppose this sheet should carry out its implied threat and refuse to support the Administration! We should be discredited at home and abroad, and McKinley would meet with certain defeat at the next election.—News and Advertiser.

THE ABSENT BLUSH

"It has been suggested that "Delaware might become politically virtuous once more" if Mr. J. Edward Addicks would consent to exile himself in some far-away region. We agree with the statement. Delaware might become politically virtuous in his absence, but it is doubtful. We are sure, however, that Delaware will become politically virtuous if he remains here. We vote for him to stay here."—"Wilmington Sun."

Here is a plain statement that Delaware will certainly become politically virtuous if Mr. Addicks remains in politics here; but that without him political decency is only possible. If virtue consists in cash and corruption; of bribery and prostitution are "virtue" then the "Sun" is right. We susbect that the sense of morality of sycophants has become so blunted that they can write the above without a quiver.

"O! shame where is thy blush!"

PORTO RICAN RIGHTS.

Attorney General Griggs, before going off on his summer vacation shattered the hopes of numerous persons who thought they had everything fixed to secure valuable Porto Rican concessions from the War Department, by rendering opinions upon three specific concessions—The right to use the water power of the river Plata, the right to build and operate a tramway, and the right to build and control, for all time, piers and wharves at Ponce. These opinions take the ground that all such concessions were crown property of Spain, and sum them all, and apparently all other public concessions on the island, up as follows: "As crown property, they were, by the treaty of concession, transferred by Spain to the U. S. of America, and are now a part of the public domain of that nation. I do not know of any right or power which the Secretary of War or the President has to alienate in perpetuity, any of the public domain of the U. S., except in accordance with acts of Congress, duly passed with reference thereto." This is understood to be a hint to Alger of the power of the administration to make trouble for him and his business friends, who are heavily interested in some Cuban deals, if he attempts to antagonize the administration.—Denton Journal.

IT WILL; WILL IT?

Our esteemed contemporary, "The Union Republican, in its issue of last week, gives utterance to some virtuous sentiments which we cordially endorse.

"The Pilot" is nothing if not virtuous—so is "The Union Republican. In deed it is well-known that our contemporary entered the field of journalism for the express and avowed purpose of promoting virtue in politics.

We admire "The Union Republican" for many things, but for nothing so much as its championship of political purity. The sentiments to which we allude are thus beautifully expressed by our contemporary: "As it is with a political party—want of principal will lead to defeat." It will be observed that our contemporary spells the word, "principal"—*pal*; and those disposed to be hypercritical might suggest that that is equivalent to saying that "want of capital will lead to defeat." But we scorn to adopt any such suggestion. We will lay it on the compositor if you please and insist that the editor meant principle—ple. What is orthography, any more than the Constitution, among friends? 'The Union Republican goes on to say,

"The best fighters are those who have the inspiration of faith in their creed. The weak, the venal, the ignorant, the cowardly, are not enlisted with those who contend for principle's sake." (It is principle-*ple* this time.) With these lofty and virtuous sentiments we heartily agree. We also agree that an article of faith which is "not what is right, not what is consistant, but anything that will win—anything to control the offices," i incompatible with the possession of the aforesaid lofty and virtuous sentiments. Our esteemed contemporary will go further, we are sure, and agree with us that it is also incompatible with those sentiments for a political party to bind itself hands and feet to one man—to have no will but his—no theory of conduct but his—no convictions that he does not share—and to move and have its being at the beck and call of a political dictator. Surely "The Union Republican" will agree with us here. —From Lewis Pilot.

LITERARY NOTES

McCLURE'S FOR AUGUST.

McClure's Magazine for August contains an article on "The Cape to Cairo Railroad," by W. T Stead. As Mr. Stead is a personal friend of Cecil Rhodes, as well as of most of the important men associated with him in this enterprise, his story will have a very special interest and value. It will be fully illustrated from photographs of incidents and scenes along the line. The issue will be a midsummer fiction number, and will contain a story of the law, an Irish story, a racing story, a story of the pioneer circus, a true story of the Secret Service, and a country love story, besides a generous installment of Booth Tarkington's novel, "The Gentleman from Indiana." All of the stories will be fully illustrated.

In the August McClure's, Miss Tarbell will give an account of the death of Lincoln, based on the unpublished recollections of persons who were with Lincoln in his last hours and were more or less eyewitnesses of his assassination. The article will be illustrated with the last life portrait of Lincoln, a facsimile of the last bit of writing done by him, a picture of the scene at his death-bed, and other pictures.

Discovered by a Woman

Another great discovery has been made, and this too; by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery, by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night; and with two bottles, has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz.' Thus writes W. C. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles free at Vaughan's Pharmacy. Regular size 50c and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed.

G. A. R. ENCAMPMENT PHILADELPHIA.

Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

On account of the Thirty-third Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, to be held at Philadelphia on September 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from points on its line to Philadelphia, at rate of single fare for the round trip, except that the fare from New York and Baltimore will be $3; from Newark, N. J., $2.85; from Elizabeth, N. J., $2.75, and proportionate rates from intermediate points.

Tickets will be sold on September 2, 3, 4, and 5, good to return until September 12, inclusive; but by depositing ticket with joint agent at Philadelphia on September 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9, and the payment of fifty cents, return limit may be extended to September 30, inclusive.

Side Trips.

Tickets for side trips to Washington, Old Point Comfort, Gettysburg, Antietam, and Virginia battlefields will also be sold at greatly reduced rates.

A Man's Peculiar Distinction.

The Kansas City Journal says: "John Peverly, a commercial traveler whose home is in Wichita, enjoys the peculiar distinction of being a second cousin to both Abraham Lincoln and Jefferson Davis. Mr. Peverly's grandfather was first cousin to Lincoln's father, and his grandmother was first cousin to Davis's father. Thus, while these great chieftains were in no wise related, Mr. Peverly has blood kinship with both. He is as tall and angular as Lincoln."

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Reduced Rates via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the Annual Meet of the League of American Wheelmen at Boston, August 14 to 19, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets, from all points on its line, to Boston at rate of single fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold on August 12 to 14, good to return August 14 to 20 when properly executed before agent of initial line from Boston. Upon depositing ticket with city ticket agent of initial line from Boston, not later than August 19, and the payment of fifty cents, tickets may be extended to leave Boston not later than August 31.

Bicycles carried free when not accompanied by other baggage. Special arrangements for clubs traveling as a body.

William R. Grace of New York, a great merchant and of ex-President Cleveland's warmest supporters, is a convert to the doctrine of protection, as well he may be. Says Mr. Grace: "I was never ashamed of my convictions when they were in perfect sympathy with the tariff views expressed by Mr. Cleveland in his famous message, and with those held by the great body of the Democratic party, and I am not ashamed now to say that in the light of recent events I have completely changed those views and now see, as I believe, clearly that the amazing growth in all that makes for permanently prosperous conditions and in all influences that have so recently established the United States as a first power among the nations of the world, not only politically, but financially and commercially, is due in great measure to the policy of protection."

Glorious News

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give her no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved,—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. Its the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold at Vaughan's Pharmacy. Guaranteed.

SAILORS ALARMED.

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I was the staunchest of our fleet,
Until the sea rose beneath our feet,
Unheralded, in violence past all measure
Into his pits he stamped my crew,
Blinded, buffeted, bound and threw,
Bidding me, eyeless, wait upon his pleasure.
—Rudyard Kipling.

A strange tale of the sea was brought into home waters yesterday by the crew of the British ship Glooscap from far away Iloilo. No more weird adventure is told in all annals of navigation than that which was an incident of her voyage through the loveliest part of the Indian ocean.

For many days on that homeward run, never to be forgotten by Captain Spicer and his men, the Glooscap was accompanied on her way by a battered, almost shapeless, hulk, a nameless derelic, which without sail and without steam hung persistently in her wake.

The mystery of the occurrence was appalling to the crew of this good ship. With it were incidents which go to make up a true tale, stranger than the wildest dreams of the novelists of the sea.

The Glooscape, heavily laden with sugar for Philadelphia, weighed anchor from Iloilo on March 23. Her voyage was to be a long one and through the most unfrequented of earth's oceans. Nevertheless the ship sails fast and there was no reasonable supposition on the part of the crew or captain but that the run would be an uneventful one.

Anjer was passed on April 23 and for twenty succeeding days nothing occurred worthy of special mention. No sail appeared to break the monotony of sea and sky. The Glooscap, logging ten knots, ploughed steadily over the dreary waste of waters. On May 14, at 4 o'clock in the morning, a drifting hulk was reported on the western horizon.

The day broke cold, misty and rainy, with a leaden sky. No more cheerless scene could have heralded the advent of the derelic. Still on the same tack the Glooscap steadily approached it.

VICTIM OF DISASTER.

There is no more saddening incident which can occur in the life of a sailor than an accidental meeting with one of these grim reminders of a great and unsolvable disaster. It is a silent appeal to their oft-blunted better natures. An appeal never lose, in view of their perilous vocation.

The battered hulk, now abeam of the Glooscap, appeared to be that of a full-rigged ship. Her masts had gone by the board and she was partially waterlogged. The waves gurgled dismally through her deserted deck houses and splashed heavily on the rotting boards. She was a melancholy and gloomy spectacle; an embodiment of death and suffering; of the passing of many hardy souls.

Captain Spicer scrutinized the wreck closely. There was absolutely no clue to her identity. The Glooscap continued on her way. Rain began falling and fog descended, intensifying the general gloom.

The unexpected meeting had its effect on the crew. There were no songs in the forecastle that night. The sailors endeavored in sleep to forget the sad spectacle which they had involuntarily witnessed.

Captain Spicer was aroused the next morning at daybreak. A frightful group stood outside his cabin door.

"My God, Cap, the wreck! Look! it is following us," and the boatswain pointed his finger astern of the Glooscap.

Sure enough, scarcely three miles in his wake Captain Spicer saw the ominous visitor of yesterday.

HARBINGER OF DEATH FOLLOWS.

Scarcely believing his eyes, he computed the distance traveled during the past twelve hours. A rough guess placed it at 120 miles. A fear seized the sturdy old mariner.

"It is nothing, boys, only the effect of an unchartered ocean current which must exist here. We will lose her in a few hours."

Nevertheless the crew continued to stand in trembling silence. They gazed with a nameless dread on the supposed Nemesis which followed closely. A sharp north-east gale was brewing. At the request of his men Captain Spicer set all sails on the Glooscap. Toward 10 o'clock the wind increased and blew with frightful violence. Careening far to starboard and under a cloud of canvas which bent the mighty spars like reeds the ship tore through the foaming waves with race horse speed.

Night again came on, but it was a night of horrow. The dread harbinger of death followed on relentlessly. Day succeeded day but her apparent position remained the same. The more sensible ones of the crew sought to delude themselves with the thought that they were the victims of a hallucination. The remainder never turned their eyes astern.

SAILORS BECAME DEMENTED.

For a week the novel chase continued. Despair and desperation had by this time seized the wrecked tars. The long continued mental excitement at last had its effect. They were like demented beings and the officers feared they knew not what from their madness of terror.

May 21, when affairs on the Glooscap had reached a climax, the derelict disappeared. At noon or eight bells her motion was observed to be retarded. Soon she appeared a mere speck on the horizon and then passed into oblivion.

With her extinction came the reaction of feeling which made the rough men fall on their knees on the heaving deck and thank God for their deliverance. For their deliverance from what they had confidently believed to be a living death.

And with the passing of the wreck a change, whether real or fancied, seemed to come over all nature. Once more the sun shone brightly, the clouds rolled away and the sea mew and dolphin sported over the blue and dancing waves. So wonderful was the transformation that Captain Spicer considered it worthy of mention in the Glooscap's log. It seemed as though the elements themselves rejoiced in that the danger had been lifted and the mysterious ocean spectre was no more.—Philadelphia Times.

Outdone By A Boy

A lad in Boston, rather small for his age, works in an office as errand boy for four gentlemen who do business there. One day the gentlemen were chaffing him a little about being so small, said to him.

"You will never amount to much, you never can do any business you are too small."

The little fellow looked at them.

"Well," said he, "as small as I am, I can do something that neither of you four men can do."

"Ah, what is that?" said they?

"I don't know as I ought to tell you," he replied. But they were anxious to know, and urged him to tell what he could do that neither of them were unable to do.

"I can keep from swearing," said the little fellow.

There were some blushes on four manly faces, and there seemed to be little anxiety for further information on the point. The testimony of the boy was heroic and timely, a worthy example for those of larger growth.—Michigan Advocate.

He Fooled The Surgeons

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on Earth, and the best Salve, in the world. 25 cents a box. Sold at Vaughan's Pharmacy.

Insult to the Bride

"Such an insult!" she exclaimed. "What?" he asked. "Why, you know what long hair Brown, who married Miss Smith to-day, always has had?" "Of course." "Well, just before he became a benedict he had it cut short. Just think of the natural inference."

What he Remembered.

An English educator relates, in Chambers's Journal, an incident which promotes the reflection—not a new one—that one way to a boy's mind is through his stomach. A lady returned after a long absence, to her country home, and addressed a youth who had formmerly been under her tuition.

"Well, Andrew," said she, "how much do you remember of my lessons?"

"Ah, ma'am never a word," replied Andrew.

"O Andrew!" his teacher exclaimed. "Have you forgotten all about the sun, the moon and stars, the day and night and the season?"

Andrew scratched his head before replying. "Oh no ma'am," he said at length. "I do remember now. And you set them on the schoolroom table, and Mars was a red gooseberry, and I ate him."

New Type of Nostalgia.

The sensation of homesickness has been variously described, but never more graphically than by a little girl, who, miles away from home and mamma, sat heavy-eyed and silent at a hotel table.

"Aren't you hungry?" asked her aunt, with whom she was traveling.

"No."

"Doesn't your head ache?"

"No."

"What is the matter?"

The child's lips quivered, and she said in a tone to grieve the heart:

"I'm seasick for home."—National Farmer.

"Tom," said Jimmy, "do you know that some day the world will be burned up with fire?" "So I have heard," replied Tom. "But Tom," went on Jimmy, who was deeply concerned about the approaching catastrophe, "what will you do when the world is burned up?" "Oh," replied Tom, with the air of one who has provided for all the contingencies, "I shall go out to Uncle Billy's and stay."

Those Expansive Estimates.

"There's no use," he said, positively, "of my trying to build a house according to these plans for a $5000 home."

"Why not?" inquired his wife.

"Because I couldn't possibly raise more than eight or nine thousand."

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Special Correspondent.

When the circumstances under which Secretary Root passed his first week at the head of the War Department are considered, one wonders that so few plans have been manufactured for him by the correspondents of the yellow journals, which insist upon printing Washington news whether there is any or not. Owing to the absence of the President and nearly all the members of the Cabinet, there has been a dearth of official news, and Secretary Root has been too busy posting himself to talk about his plans. That the yellows should proceed to make a few plans for him was as natural as that water will run down hill, and the only surprising thing was that they did not make them more sensational. At the proper time, Secretary Root's official acts will show the country his intentions.

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The consular agents of the United States are not only expected to keep us posted on trade conditions in the countries to which they are accredited, but also upon everything in the line of progress in every branch of human activity. The Department of State has received the following concerning a new treatment for consumption, from the United States Commercial Agent, at Roubaix, France: "A new method of treating bronchial and pulmonary diseases, has been called to the attention of the Academy of Medicine, by Dr. Mendel. The treatment is specially recommended for tuberculosis. It consists of injecting daily into the bronchial tubes essence of eucalyptus, thyme and cinnamon, held in solution in olive oil. The oil in descending slowly comes into contact with the walls of the tubes and the upper lungs. The gas that is set free saturates the air in the lungs and acts on the mucous membranes as far as the air penetrates. Sixteen tuberculosis and two with bronchitis have been given this treatment, and in each case, after one or two weeks, a lessening or complete cessation of the cough and expectoration, as well as a return of sleep, appetite and strength has been noted."

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Representative Burke, of South Dakota., who is in Washington on business, says his State can be put in the sure Republican column; and speaking of the general outlook, he said: "Outside of Colorado, I do not believe there is a single north-western state Mr. Bryan can carry. I consider that President McKinley's renomination and re-election are foregone conclusions. The administration is popular in the north-west. Our people have fallen upon prosperous times, and they are not inclined to turn the government over to the opposition, which always promises so much and performs so little."

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A conference will be held in Washington this week which will probably result in an immediate start being made in the taking of the census of Cuba. Those who will participate in the conference will be Secretary Root, Assistant Secretary Meiklejohn; Inspector General Sanger, who will have immediate supervision of the work, several representatives of the Census Bureau, and the Cuban Supervisors, recently appointed by Gen. Brooke. As has been stated, this census is to be taken to get at the voting population of Cuba, and soon after its completion, municipal elections will be held over there. Although our Census Bureau officials are acting in an advisory capacity in this matter, the Cuban census will have no connection with our Census, and will be taken under military supervision.

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The following opinion, by Mr. J. T. Gillispie, an observant citizen of Mass., who has just returned from a trip to Russia, and who is now in Washington, is both interesting and pertinent: "With all her professed friendship for the U. S., Russia does not tolerate American missionaries within her borders. Russia is pre-eminently selfish in all her aims, and her ambitions are far more stupendous than people in this country have any idea of. She dreams of the time when she will dominate not only the whole of China, but India, Persia, and Turkey as well. The building of the great Siberian railway is nothing but a scheme of conquest. Russia courts the friendship of the U.S., because she fears that when the inevitable conflict between the Slav and the Briton comes on, the U. S. may side with the mother country. Down in their hearts the Russians care no more for us than they do for the English, and they think the hour is ripe, they will push us aside in the Orient, just as ruthlessly as they will John Bull. They bide their time, being a patient and cunning race, but in the meantime it suits them to be our friends."

"For the Sake of Fun, Mischief is Done."

A vast amount of mischief is done, too, because people neglect to keep their blood pure. The mischief appears in eruptions, dyspepsia, indigestion, nervousness, kidney diseases, and other ailments. This mischief, fortunately, may be undone by the faithful use of Hood's Sarsaparilla, which cures all diseases originating in or promoted by impure blood.

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LESSON VII, THIRD QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, AUG. 13.

Text of the Lesson, Ezek. xxxvii, 1-11—Memory Verses, 5, 6—Golden Text, Ezek. xxxvi, 27—Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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1 "The hand of the Lord was upon me and carried me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones." In verse 11 we read that these bones are the whole house of Israel, and verse 22 says that God will yet make them one nation under one king in their own land. This has never been fulfilled since the days of Ezekiel, but it surely will be, for Jehovah hath spoken it, and He will do it (xxxvi, 36). The interpretation of this lesson is like the last—concerning Israel—but the application to all believers is very simple and practical.

2 "And caused me to pass by them round about, and, behold, there were very many in the open valley, and, lo, they were very dry!" There could hardly be a more striking illustration of deadness or lifelessness than dry bones, and this was the condition of Israel in the time of Ezekiel. Some were in Babylon, some in Egypt and some still in Emmanuel's land. There were a few like Ezekiel, Daniel and Jeremiah, who walked with God, but the nation as a whole had rebelled against God.

3 "And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord God, thou knowest!" Many would have said that it was simply impossible, for many say today that a dead body will never rise again; that the dead body that is buried in the earth shall never see life. Ezekiel, by the Spirit of God upon him, did not presume to say what God could or could not do but meekly answered as in this verse.

4 "Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these bones and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of the Lord!" To speak to dry bones seemed a foolish and vain thing, for there was nothing in a dry bone that could possibly hear or respond. Many find it hard to believe that an unsaved soul is as dead as a dry bone and think that there must be a spark of the divine somewhere in every sinner that can respond to the voice of God.

5 "Thus saith the Lord God unto these bones, Behold I will cause breath to enter into you and ye shall live!" The whole Bible from beginning to end is a record of what God has done, is doing and will do and a testimony to the great truth that with God nothing is impossible (Math. xix, 26). He who created all things by His word can cause breath to enter into dry bones, and He is looking for people through whom He can work His wonders—people who have faith in Him.

6 "And I will lay sinews upon you and will bring up flesh upon you and cover you with skin and put breath in you, and ye shall live, and ye shall know that I am the Lord." It is all the Lord's doing that He may be glorified. In creation and redemption and in the new creation God is the one who does all. "Behold I make all things new!" (Rev. xxi, 5.) He says, "I will work, and who shall hinder (let) it?" (Isa xliii, 13.)

7 "So I prophesied as I was commanded." The verse goes on to tell the result. The one great thing for the believer is to be "willing and obedient" (Isa. i, 19). Noah in building the ark, Moses the tabernacle, Solomon the temple, did just as they were told. God gave the instructions, and the one only thing required of them was implicit and unquestioning obedience. The worker with God is to remember that "It is God who worketh" (Phil. ii. 13), and it is the worker's privilege to see God alone and trust Him to accomplish all His pleasure (Isa lv, 11).

8 "There was no breath in them." There was complete organization—bones, sinews, flesh and skin, all in order—but no life. Instead of dry bones scattered all about the prophet now saw a great host of bodies of men with wonderful possibilities if they only had life in them. There are many and seemingly perfect organizations on earth to do what is called the Lord's work, but they seem to go by hand power instead of steam power or electricity. There is no life in them.

9 "Thus saith the Lord God, Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live!" They had once lived, but an enemy called death under the power of the devil (Heb. ii. 14) had been at work. God made man in His own image, but through the devil sin came and death and the curse and ruin and God alone can restore that which the enemy destroyed. His way of restoring is seen in Gen. i, 2, 3. The Spirit and the Word do the work; the Spirit moves, and God speaks.

10 "So I prophesied as He commanded me and the breath came into them, and they lived." So the seemingly impossible became a living reality, and God did it all but He used His willing and obedient servant who was willing to be foolish enough in the eyes of wise people to speak to dry bones which had not a particle of life in them. We do not need to look for a responsive heart in which to sow the seed but simply speak His message as He commands us and leave all the results to Him in quietness and confidence.

11 "Behold they say, Our bones are dried and our hope is lost! We are cut off for our parts." They had reason to think so and to feel so when they considered themselves and their circumstances, the result of their sin against God, but since He had promised to restore them to their own land after 70 years (Jer. xxix, 10) it was their privilege to believe His promise and expect that for His own name's sake He would do as He had said.

12 "Thus saith the Lord God, Behold, O my people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up out of your graves and bring you into the land of Israel!" Not only from the nations where they are in some sense a buried people, but from literal graves shall literal dead bodies come forth according to Isa. xxvi, 19; Dan. xii, 1, 2. "Every purpose of the Lord shall be performed" (Jer. li, 29) not only against Babylon, but for Israel, and it becomes us to honor God by believing that He will do as He has said.

13. "And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves!" His lament over Israel was, Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider (Isa. i, 3). They know not the way of the Lord nor the judgment of their God (Jer. v, 4).

14. "And shall put my Spirit in you, and ye shall live." When all this shall come to pass, then in their own land they shall know that Jehovah hath spoken and performed it. Hath He said and shall He not do it, or hath He spoken and shall He not make it good (Num xxiii, 19)? He is our life.

Lands mortgaged may return, but honesty once pawned is ne'er redeemed.

LOW RATES TO REHOBOTH AND OCEAN CITY

One-Day Excursions via Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad

During the month of August the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad Company will run the following one-day excursions to Rehoboth and Ocean City: Thursdays, August 3, 17, and 31.

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	Train leaves.		Exc. Rate.
Wilmington, Del.	6.25	A. M.	$1 25
New Castle "	6.38	"	1 25
Kirkwood "	6.55	"	1 25
Middletown "	7.11	"	1 25
Townsend "	7.19	"	1 25
Smyrna "	7.14	"	1 25
Clayton "	7.40	"	1 25
Cheswold "	7.51	"	1 25
Dover "	8.02	"	1 25
Wyoming "	8.10	"	1 15
Woodside "	8.28	"	1 10
Viola "	8.28	"	1 05
Felton "	8.34	"	1 00
Harrington "	8.53	"	1 00

	Exc. Rate to Rehoboth.		Exc. Rate to Ocean City.
Milford, Del.	9.08	A.M.	75 cts. $1 00
Ellendale, "	9.22	"	75 " 1 00
Georgetown "	9.40	"	50 " 75
Lewes, "	10.05	"	20 "

			Rate to Ocean City.
Frankford, Del.	10.00	A. M.	65 cents.
Selbyville, "	10.09	"	50 "

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Ocean Grove—Aug.19.

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"I wish I could make both ends meet!" sighed Patty. I've got a new hat and a new pair of shoes, and then I wouldn't need anything else."

Mrs. Speakermind—"Only think! Thompson's wife has left him and gone home to her mother's." Mr. Speakermind—"Hum—wonder how he worked it?"

Happiness is not the end of life; character is.

Make not thy friends too cheap to thee, nor thyself to thy friends.

Incredulity robs us of many pleasures and gives us nothing in return.

Waste of time is the most extravagant and costly of all expenses.

If a good face is a letter of recommendation, a good heart is a letter of credit.

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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

The TRANSCRIPT has said little, too little in fact, as to its subscription accounts. One reason has been the protracted illness of the editor. Bills are being sent out now, however, as fast as they can be reached and early replies are requested. Where subscriptions have been running for an extended time and no notice is taken of the bills sent they will be put in the hands of collectors. Such a cause is positively necessary. Of subscription accounts an experienced newspaper man writes:

"The practice of continuing subscriptions, indefinitely made, year after year is a bad one. Two or three years is the average limit of man's memory, when it comes to ordering newspapers sent him. If his delinquency runs beyond that limit, he forgets that he ordered the paper and in many cases will swear that he never ordered it. The larger his delinquency bill, the surer he is and the harder he will swear that he never ordered it. This is a fact and a condition of human nature that must be recognized as a factor in the newspaper business.

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"The middle ground—the temperate position—is safe."

Recent reference to a "hard case," a man who has had favors aside from the money he owes the TRANSCRIPT, who has means, who has not paid a cent for all these years, brought two wondering and good-paying patrons to the office with the inquiry, "Is it I?" Look at the label of your paper and let it answer the question. None who pay regularly even though a trifle tardily are meant by this notice. It is the long standing obligations, for such they are, that makes the heart sick.

Again we take to ourselves a share of the responsibility where bills which should have been sent and were not; bills which are paid upon presentation. Illness is the only plea to offer those subscribers, but here is the statement.

McKENDREE DOWNHAM.

ADDICKS' "POLITICAL VIRTUES."

The Wilmington "Sun" on Monday in answer to the TRANSCRIPT'S comments upon the possibility of Delaware becoming politically virtuous under Addicks, makes at least one very interesting statement. It is in reply to the TRANSCRIPT'S question:

(2)—When did Mr. Addicks enter the fight?

The answer is: "No. 2—When he (Mr. Addicks) broke the Senatorial deadlock in the State Assembly in 1889, by inducing Senator Moore of Sussex county to vote for, and secure the election of Anthony Higgins to the U. S. Senate."

But there was no "Senatorial deadlock" in 1889. Mr. Higgins was chosen in caucus, after numerous ballots, on Monday night (or Tuesday morning,) Jan. 14th, 1889, and was voted for in the two Houses separately by every Republican on Tuesday, Jan. 15th, and declared elected in joint session on the next day, receiving the vote of every Republican member of the Assembly. There was no "deadlock." What then does the "Sun" mean? Will it answer? Dare it answer? We will help it in answering.

During the caucus for Senator the chairman of the caucus, Representative Robert A. Davis, expressed the opinion that no Republican would be elected Senator assigning as a reason that a fortnight before two men had spent a night at his house, these men stating that they were looking for a second Republican member of that General Assembly, having secured one, who would refuse for a consideration to either go into caucus or to abide by its decision. In other words to prevent the election of a Republican by party usage and majority rule. David O. Moore was a State Senator from Sussex county. His vote in caucus was cast every time for the late Nathaniel B. Smithers, the father of his sister's husband. He finally bolted the caucus.

Query No. 1—Does the "Sun" mean to say that David O. Moore was the Republican whom Messrs. Smith and Donahoe, the Addicks visitors to Representative Davis, had pledged to refuse to vote for the Republican caucus candidate if they could secure the second member, and does it mean that Mr. Addicks's influence with Mr. Moore was through that understanding? If it does not mean that what does it mean?

Query No. 2—When and where had Mr. Addicks gotten his influence over State Senator Moore, it having been frequently acknowledged that Mr. Addicks up to this time "had not known three men in Kent or Sussex counties?"

Query No. 3—But when and how did Mr. Addicks defeat Delaware Democrats in 1894, 1896 and 1898? To all outward appearance he was the most silent figure among all the participants. What was his part in the campaign?

We do not believe that Governor Marvil "acknowledged that he owed his election to the interest and help of Mr. Addicks". His course disproves the assertion and proves its falsity. He opposed Mr. Addicks for Senator. Mr. Willis is alive to speak for himself. These gentlemen may have acknowledged the aid of Mr. Addicks, but not that they "owed their election to him."

The Republicans did not carry the election in 1896. They did elect their ticket in Kent county and were cheated out of it. Regular Republicans had nothing to do with that. In New Castle one Republican, Mr. Eliason of this hundred, was elected to the General Assembly. In Sussex county the Democrats were elected, else the ridiculous claim made by Mr. Willis for a seat in Congress would have been pushed. That was a farce.

Of course the victory of last year was by the united Republican vote but the credit therefor is not due Mr. Addicks. He cast one vote. The Republicans have a majority in this State and under the present laws they can elect their entire State ticket if united and without any "help and interest" from Mr. Addicks. Better for the party if he were in "Jerico."

So much for the foolish claims that to Mr. Addicks is due any Republican victory in Delaware. But another question is suggested by these facts.

Query No. 3—If Mr. Addicks became interested in Delaware politics in 1889, *after the election and victory of 1888*, where were his "help and interest" in the elections of 1890 and 1892?

A WORD WITH FELLOW REPUBLICANS

Ye honest and true Republicans of Delaware, do not these statements and admissions by Mr. George W. Roberts, one of the hirelings of J. Edward Addicks, make an appeal to you? Look at them in what light you will they should make an impression, one that should be carried to the primaries and the polls next year, one that must be so considered before the fond hope of the union of all Republicans into one harmonious and victorious party shall be realized. This is no factional threat but a conclusive conviction.

First—The admission is made here, if the statements of the "Sun" mean anything, that Mr. Addicks first interested himself in Delaware politics in 1889, after a victory with which he had nothing to do, by an effort through his agents, Messrs. Smith and Donahoe, to prevent the election of a Republican Senator. In view of the visit to Representative Davis as told in that caucus, where the Hon. John H. Hoffecker and the Hon. John A. Lingo were members, the claim that Mr. Addicks influenced the election of Mr. Higgins through his influence with State Senator Moore, can mean nothing else.

Second—The fact that in 1895 Mr. Addicks held four Republican members of the General Assembly against fifteen to refuse to vote for the caucus nominee, having first conspired with Democrats to prevent the election of a Senator, and the added fact that the Union Republican members from Sussex of the last General Assembly broke the ante-election pledges made by them and for them that *they would elect a Senator*, if not the man of their choice, they would elect, forces the conviction upon thousands of Republican voters in the State that the disturbing element in the Republican Party of the State must be eliminated before there can be harmony or victory. A few Republicans may be influenced by money, some Democrats may be for sale even legislators, but the majority of the people of Delaware are not corruptable. They know that the methods of J. Edward Addicks and his hirelings are a danger to the State and they can never win.

This article is already long enough—filling our available space. The first item of the "Sun" article must go over to next week. Though it is only a personal fling, as false as anything the editor of the "Sun" ever penned and that is saying much. The question and answer for next week are:

(1)—When did Mr. Addicks become "interested in State politics?"

Answer—About the time you agreed to vote for a Senatorial candidate, in consideration of promise of an office at Washington. The candidate succeeded in being elected and you received the appointment promised you.

The "Sun" lies. The proof of the lie must go over to our next issue.

THE nomination of Mr. William D. Bradford for County Commissioner of Cecil county by the Republicans of that county is a most excellent one. Unless the Democrats have made an equally meritorious nomination Mr. Bradford's election should be similar to his nomination—unanimous.

ODESSA NOTES.

Mr. L. V. Aspril, Sr., has returned from a visit to Wilmington relatives.

Rev. Omar Jones, of Engleside, Md., preached in St. Paul's M. E. Church morning and evening last Sunday, the Rev. W. O. Hurst being at Wye Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Dyke returned Monday from a pleasant visit to their daughter in Ridley Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Bandell have returned from Rehoboth.

Watkins Canning Co. and Baker Bros are busy canning corn.

Miss Grace Johnson, of Baltimore, has been the guest of Miss Frances Aspril.

Miss Helen Townsend has returned from a visit to Still Pond, Md.

Miss Ethel L. Mailly and Miss Georgia C. Enos are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. Courtenay Enos.

Mr. William Rose, of Wilmington, spent Sunday with his father, Mr. David C. Rose.

Mr. Oliver Stevens, of Philadelphia, is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Vandegrift are sojourning in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Miss Gertrude Morgan is assisting in the Post Office while Mr. Vandegrift is absent.

Miss Neal Townsend is the guest of her cousin, Miss Elizabeth Scott, at Rehoboth.

Messrs. John, George and Edward Green have returned from Rehoboth.

Messrs. Daniel Corbit and Frank Penington spent Saturday and Sunday at Rehoboth.

MY MARYLAND.

Mr. Larry Reese, near Millington, was critically gored by an infuriated cow with calf by her side which he was driving from the field.

Mr. George W. Covington, of Still Pond, father of Mrs. J. C. Alston and Mrs. W. E. Barnard of this town, was nominated this week for the State Senate by the Prohibitionists.

At Federalsburg the electric storm of last week caused a $40,000 fire. The lightning struck and set fire to Edward Nuttle's store, the fire spreading to the Opera House, Postoffice, and two other stores and three dwellings.

Captain William Rolph died at his home at Reybold's Wharf, Friday, August 4th, of paralysis of the brain. Captain Rolph was well known and will be greatly missed. A widow and eight children, four sons and four daughters mourn his loss. Funeral services were held at St. Pul's M. E. Church at Cecilton Sunday afternoon, August 6th; interment in the adjoining cemetery.

The administrators of the estate of the late William McKenney have received the reports of the yield of wheat from the several farms of the estate from the recent harvest. The total amount threshed was 78,500 bushels. Last year the yield from the same properties was 62,000 bushels and in 1897 the yield was 93,000 bushels. Thus it will be seen that while this year's crop exceeds that of 1898 by 16,500 bushels, it falls short of that of 1897 by 14,500 bushels. The figures are interesting as a comparison of yields during the three years.—Centreville Observer.

Reports of fine sport come from Kent Island Narrows. On Monday of last week seventeen large rock fish were landed, and Tuesday was equally as satisfactory from a fisherman's standpoint. The Queenstown News says that Dr. Andrew Bryan, of Kansas, a first cousin of Hon. W. Jennings Bryan, has been at the Rock Fish hotel this week trying his luck fishing at the Narrows. He is a very pleasant gentleman and in speaking of his experience in fishing at the Narrows said it reminded him of Jennings, he had the bait but the other fellows got the prize.—Chestertown Transcript.

The contest in the primaries in Talbot last Saturday between the two factions of the Republican party was fought to a finish in all the precincts of the county and was won by the faction led by ex-Congressman Dr. Isaac A. Barber. The Mullikin men carried Trappe district and Tunis Mills precinct of Easton district, and the Barber men all the rest of the county. For the first time the negro vote was depended upon to carry the primaries, and both sides bought votes with but little attempt at concealment. It is said that at least nine-tenths of the negroes who voted were paid. It has never been done before, and it has utterly demoralized a large voting element. A Republican leader of the defeated faction says that it will take $20,000 to get the Republican vote out next November, and it is freely admitted by Republicans that Saturday's contest will help the Democratic county ticket, some even going so far as to say it insures Democratic success.

Maryland's places in Statuary Hall in the Capital at Washington are to be filled by statues of Charles Carroll of Carrollton who, before his death in 1832, was the last surviving signer of the Declaration of Independence, and John Hanson, who was a distinguished member of the Continental Congress and whose name is closely connected with the early history of the State. Gov. Lowndes recently appointed a commission to select the statues, which are to be of heroic size in marble. The commission has decided to select names of some of the leading sculptors and to ask them to submit designs and estimates and to compete for the work. It is expected that the commission will be able to award the contracts by November 1st, and that the statues will be in position a year later. The Legislature appropriated $24,000 for the two statues. When completed they are to be placed in Statuary Hall between the statues placed there by Maine and Massachusetts near the door leading to the clerk's office of the old House of Representatives.

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Which is Correct?

Three clever fakirs are working a new "con" game on the Peninsula. A stranger asks for a night's lodging. Shortly afterwards a would-be bride and groom come along. A marriage certificate is made out and the host witnesses it. Later a promissory note bearing his signature turns up.—Smyrna Call.

In another column this paper says of the same matter:

The reporters of Dover who for the past six months or more have been sending "fake specials" to the daily papers are now out with another story, originated by some imaginative scribe at the capital. It is as follows: "Swindlers are again at work in this section of the country and have hit upon a slick plan. A confederate, representing himself to be a minister on a walking tour, calls at a farm house for a night's lodging, and while he is there a strange couple drives up looking for a minister to marry them. Then the "clergyman" upstairs is thought of, and he asks the farmer to witness the ceremony, which turns out later to be a promissory note instead of a marriage certificate." The story is discredited by most every one who has read it and is of a similar nature to the "frog fake" sent out from Dover recently.

KENT COUNTY.

W. A. C. Hardcastle, of Smyrna, well known throughout the State, went to Wilmington Monday, to take a course of treatment at the Delaware Hospital for acute stomach troubles.

Newspaper reports estimate the crowd at Bowers' Beach "Big Thursday" of this week at 10,000. This included 100 fakirs and "shell-game" men from Philadelphia and Baltimore who enjoyed a harvest.

One of the biggest yields of wheat yet recorded in the vicinity of Clayton is 38½ bushels to the acre. This large yield fell to the good fortune of John R. Pratt of Blackiston's Cross Roads. He had 40 acres from which he procurred 1,102 bushels of wheat. Of this acreage there were 4½ acres which yielded him 128 bushels, an average of 38½ bushels to the acre.

Mrs. Sallie Lawnton, the oldest resident of Camden, died at her home on Tuesday, Aug., 8th. Had she survived until Sunday she would have been 94 years of age. Mrs. Lawnton was extremely active and hale for one of her years, until about 10 days ago, when she was compelled to keep her room. She was a sister of the late John Woodall and an aunt of Mrs. George V. Massey.

Ground was broken on Monday for the erection of a new school at Brenford. This step has been taken as the result of the recent vote where the ladies turned out, taken at the school election of that district, changing the location of the school from "Sunnyside," where it has been for years, to the village of Brenford. It will be ready for occupancy by the time school opens, the first of September.

George Morris, a boy about 14 years old while swimming in the Havern Mills Lake, near Milford Saturday was seen to throw up his hands and cry: "Help, I am drowning." Anthony Higgins, a companion started out to his aid, was grabbed by the drowning boy and a fierce struggle took place under water. Higgins tried to drag his companion to a stump, but had to tear loose from him to save his life. Morris was drowned.

Bradford Tyre, who was dangerously injured in a fight with some colored men at a camp-meeting near Harrington, and whose injuries consisted of two contusions from a brick thrown from the crowd, has become paralyzed on the opposite side from that which received the full force of the missle. His life is still in danger. Tyre was with another young man, Alonzo Haman, and the colored men charged them with trying to win from them a creole girl who had come into the encampment.

There will be an old time gathering of the Democrats of Kent county at Bowers' Becah, Thursday, August 16th, when every Democrat in the county is especially invited to be present. There will be two bands of music, speaking and various other attractions, and quite a number of the prominent men of the State will be on hand. The committee having the meeting in charge earnestly request all Democrats who can to visit Bowers, on the 16th. The following week a similar meeting will be held at Woodland Beach.

WANAMAKER'S.

Philadelphia, Monday, August 7, 1899.

FURNITURE FACTS

There is no sense in your worrying yourself over Furniture buying in August, unless you save enough money to pay you well for the effort.

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There are several thousand pieces, in the various articles,

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And a full half of the remainder (which was our regular stock) is worth by valuation a fourth more than it is marked.

Furniture advances have already come. Most of the prices are fixed for some weeks ahead. What comes in now, except the completing shipments on these August-Sale purchases, comes at higher prices.

This Bureau is $10 higher than three months ago.

This Suite will sell for $105 more when re-ordered.

This neat Oak Bedroom Suite costs today $6 more than its marked price—and the freight besides.

The list could be lengthened ever so much—but enough said.

Higher lumber.
Higher glass.
Higher hardware.
Higher brass and iron.

And wage advances in the furniture center of the country averaging 12½ per cent.—and manufacturers are anxious for more skilled men at that.

A red and white card marks every piece that came especially under value for this sale.

And such pieces here and there in stock as are reduced in price (simply to clear out—not being booked for re-ordering).

A good many thousand pieces (the whole regular stock here before the advent of the sale) bear no special tag—no matter if market changes have made them worth twenty to thirty per cent. more.

August does not change Furniture values—it was the months of planning beforehand that gave us

Half million dollar stock

at this time—well on to half of it at the most decisive reductions we ever knew, all things considered.

August didn't make the prices. It culminated the event.

Bedroom Suites begin at $8.75.
White Enameled Iron Bedsteads begin at $4.50.
Brass Bedsteads begin at $12.50.
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10c and 15c Lawns and Dimities now marked for quick sale, **6c** to **8c** the yard.

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5000 yards direct from manufacturers, 25 to 50 per cent. under price.

8 cent grade, **5 cents.**
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19c buys Percale Waists with laundered collars and cuffs.

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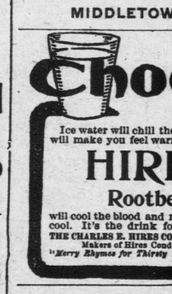
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MIDDLETOWN, DEL., AUG. 12, 1899.

THE CHURCHES IN MIDDLETOWN.

Bethesda M. E. Church.—Rev. Isaac L. Wood, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 2 p. m., A. G. Cox, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, every Thursday evening, 7.30 o'clock. Junior Epworth League and Epworth Cadets every Friday night at 7 o'clock. Young Ladies' Mission Circle, Monday nights at Parsonage. Women's Foreign Missionary Society, first Friday night of each month. Women's Home Missionary Society, first Thursday night of each month. Mite Society, first Saturday night of each month. Official Board meeting first Friday afternoon of each month at 2.30 o'clock.

Forest Presbyterian Church.—Rev. F. H. Moore, Pastor. Services held every Sabbath morning at 10.30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at 7.30. Sabbath School will be held every Sabbath morning at 9.15 o'clock, H. C. Ellison, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Junior Society Christian Endeavor every Sunday after noon at 3 o'clock.

Services at Armstrong's Chapel the first Sabbath of each month at 3 p. m.

St. Anne's Protestant Episcopal Church.—Rev. Wm. J. Wilkie, Rector. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month at 10.30 a. m. On all other Sundays at 7.30 a. m. Divine services every Sunday at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Morning Prayer and Litany every Wednesday and Friday at 10 a. m. Evening Prayer on Friday at 3.30 p. m. On all Holy Days service at 10 a. m., and 3.30 p. m. Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Adult Bible Class at 7.45 p. m. The Guild meets every Thursday at 2 p. m., the Ladies on the first and third Fri days of each month at 2 p. m., the Boys' Club on Friday evenings at 7.30 and the Junior Auxiliary on Saturdays at 3 p. m.

Local News.

—The shirt factory opened on Monday.

—Ice Cream Soda 5c. a glass at Jones.

A lady wants position as clerk. Apply at this office.

—Rev. I. L. Wood expects to fill his pulpit to-morrow morning and evening.

—Read the ad of the Tolchester Fair next week and of the excursions by boat.

—Two desirable town properties are advertised in the TRANSCRIPT to-day for sale.

—DR. W. E. BARNARD, SURGEON DENTIST. Office South-east corner of Main and Scott streets.

—Middletown was largely represented at Dewey Park on Wednesday evening at the cake walk.

—Copies made from Tin Types or any other pictures of any description at Trinklere's Studio.

—The members of Bethesda M. E. Sunday School expect to picnic at the Piers on Wednesday.

—Paul Weber, Middletown's wide-awake baker, certainly has a handsome wagon. Trinkelere did the artistic painting.

—Both the Manlove Bros. and W. B. Biggs have been among the winners—second and third money—in the Jersey races recently.

—Mr. James Jarrell near town had a valuable horse killed by lightning during the storm Thursday night. The horse was in the field and was insured.

—The latest thing in butter making is the Wheeler Gravity Cream Separator. Price from $4 to $11.00. For sale by J. F. MCWHORTER & SON.

—State Auditor John A. Lingo, of Millsboro, was in Middletown on Tuesday, engaged in auditing the school accounts of the several school districts of this section.

—FOR RENT—Morton house on Green St. Possession given in two weeks. Good sideboard for sale. Apply to DR. W. E. BARNARD.

—Detective Witsel has returned to New Castle jail with John Dougherty, who escaped while serving a life sentence, and was captured at Harrisburg, Pa.

—If you are going out of town for an outing leave your address at The Transcript office and the paper will follow you. It is the only way to keep posted on town affairs.

—Mr. S. W. Boyer, of Philadelphia, formerly of Millington, Md., died on Monday the result of an accident with a runaway horse. He was well and favorably known here.

—Do you like ice cream? Do you make your own ice cream? If not, the TRANSCRIPT is advertising a book of instructions given away under certain conditions. See ad. in another column.

—WANTED.—Industrous and honest men of good appearance as agents for the Industrial Accident Insurance Company of the United States. Apply to G. Schirmer, Sec'y, Dover, Del.

—When you write to Messrs. J. F. McWhorter & Son about the "Separator," etc., they advertise in to-day's issue say you read the ad. in the TRANSCRIPT, or tell them so when you call there as you will or should do. Thanks.

—Mr. J. Frank McWhorter has had the residence on the "old home farm" near St. Georges brightened up with the painter's brush. The work was done by Vincent Brothers of this town. Mr. Vincent Moore is the tenant.

—The members of Armstrong's Corner Sunday School had arranged for the annual picnic at Lore Grove on the Canal on Thursday. On account of the rain it was postponed to yesterday. These annual outings are always pleasant affairs.

—J. Frank Brinkerhoff, of Philadelphia, Pa., Specialist in lenses for the eye, will again be in Middletown at Mrs. Massey's Jewlery Store, on Tuesday, August 15th, The most difficult cases of defective vision corrected without charge for examination.

—On Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Emerson and members of their families accepted the invitation of Mr. William Carnagy to picnic with the Summit Sunday school at Lorewood. They "had a good time."

—In a letter which Deputy Clerk of the Peace Janvier has received from Clerk of the Peace Foard, who is at Eagle's Mere, Pa., the statement is made that it is so cool up there that wood fires are kept burning for the comfort of the sojourners.—Evening Journal.

—The Rev. John Thompson, a prominent member of the Philadelphia Conference of the M. E. Church, and in later years associate editor of the Christian Standard, died on last Thursday at Mountain Lake, Md., in the 76th year of his age. He at one time served the church at Delaware City.

—Until 20th August we will take orders for strictly HIGH-GRADE COAL at $5.50 for 2,240 lbs. delivered on your sidewalk direct from car promptly upon arrival of coal on track here, in lots of 1 ton and upwards. This price means CASH, or payment by 10th of September. G. E. HUKILL.

—Eugene Pierce, colored, who lives near Townsend, was arrested on Thursday charged with burning a barn on the farm of Thomas Hynson, near his home. Hynson failed to put in his appearance at the trial on Thursday evening and 'Squire Reynolds discharged Pierce from custody.

—The Bureau of Engraving and Printing is now printing the new $2 bill, which is in keeping with the design of the new $1 note. The new twos will not be issued for at least a month, as there is a large stock of old bills on hand. The design of the new $5 bill has been completed, and a print has been submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury for his approval.

—Mr. Frank Watts and Miss Bertha Weldon, both of near Townsend, were married on Thursday afternoon last in St. Anne's P. E. Church, by Rev. W. J. Wilkie, rector.

—Postmasters are directed to open all letters upon which postage has not been paid, to ascertain the name of the writer. To avoid this no one should fail to have their names and address printed on one corner of all envelopes used for mailing letters. The "TRANSCRIPT" office affords everyone an opportunity to have this done at a very trifling expense.

—The Town Commissioners at a meeting on August 9th, passed an ordinance against vicious dogs, making it an offence for a fine of from $1.00 to $5.00 against anyone harboring dogs of this kind. There have been a great many complaints regarding dogs attacking persons and running after teams. The ordinance is made prohibiting the keeping of such dogs in the future.

—State Treasurer Ball has removed State securities amounting to over $1,000,000 from the safe in his office at the State House to the vaults of the Equitable Trust Company in Wilmington. The State Treasurer, it is claimed, was much exercised over the fact that at least a dozen persons knew the combination of the State House safe, and that the securities were in this respect sort of public property.

—The Legislative Committee has decided positively to go to Old Point Comfort and Norfolk to be the guests of that city on their annual reunion trip, to begin on Wednesday, October 18 and end on Saturday, October 21, giving the solons two days for sightseeing and one day for travel. The trip arranged for this month was given up because of yellow fever at Hampton. The fever is under control.

—James H. Shakespeare, the brilliant Philadelphia lawyer, a former Delawarean, and known by all Delaware, either personally or by reputation, has been committed to an asylum for the insane at Frankford, Pa. He is suffering from paresis and his death is inevitable. His first wife was a Miss Hevern, of Dover, sister of Mrs. Thomas S. Clark and of James L. Hevern, the late Philadelphia criminal lawyer. His second wife is charged with causing his ruin by her extravagance.

—Seaford and Cambridge crossed bats at Seaford on Tuesday and baseball enthusiasts who were present from all parts of the State, unite in saying that it was the best game ever played on the Peninsula. The game resulted in a victory for Cambridge, the score standing 2 to 1. The following were the batteries: Seaford, Townsend and Whelan; Cambridge, Brooks and Manners. The Seaford team was composed mainly of University of Pennsylvania players. This is the third game Cambridge has won from Seaford.

—A shooting match was held at Chesapeake City on Thursday to decide a bet of $25 to $20, made by Courtland Crocket, of that place, and J. P. Cochran, Jr., of Middletown. Twenty-five bluerocks were to be used, but after fifteen had been shot at and the score being 10 to 5 in Cochran's favor, the match was discontinued. In a sweepstakes match which followed, H. C. Black, of Middletown, won first money with a score of 8 out of a possible 10 birds. A Mr. Reynolds, of Elk Neck, was second with 7 birds to his credit. The shooting was made very hard by a strong wind setting across the ground. Very few straight drives were made by the birds and they were generally killed.

—The New Century Club will give an entertainment at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Merritt N. Willits on Tuesday evening, Aug. 22nd, unless rain should prevent when the postponement will be to the next clear evening. There will be a cake walk, a farce, minstrels and orchestra; also Rebecca at the well. There will be 12 performers in the minstrels; the latest New Century witticisms; Messrs. Brady, Corbit, Townsend and Suydam render the 15 minute farce; Messrs. Pool Brothers accompanied by their sister furnish the music. The commodious porch, largest in all the country side, will be fitted as a stage with chairs for guests in the large yard. Admission 15 cents; all are invited. Refreshments for sale after entertainment.

—It was but last week the TRANSCRIPT congratulated the people of this section upon escaping the heavy thunder storms of the season. The one of Thursday night made up for all omissions, however. The lightning was very vivid. Rain fell in torrents. All the heavy bridge planks at the crossings were carried away, being scattered up and down the streets. Of the same storm in Philadelphia a telegram says: "An electrical storm of exceptional severity did great damage here Thursday night. A conservative estimate of the expenditure that will require on the part of the city Street Railway Companies, merchants and householders is $1,000,000. Trolley cars were struck by bolts of lightning, their glasses shattered and fuses blown out. Cars were blocked from 9 o'clock until midnight, several of the city sewers caved in, and many of them filled and the business places were flooded ruining great duantities of goods. In Middletown 2.35 inches of water fell.

—The Philadelphia Record has come out as an authority on peach yellows and peach growing. It says: "It is claimed that peach trees should be cultivated like corn and kept as clean. Crimson clover may be seeded in the fall and turned under in spring, applying also at the same time air-slaked lime, muriate of potash and bone meal broadcast. It is best to have a winter crop as a covering to the soil, but it must not remain after spring opens. Whitewashing the trees in February and spraying the branches with whitewash is said to delay the buds and protects against frost. The severe cutting back of a tree often gives it new life, and the center should be well pruned, so as to admit plenty of air and warmth from the sun. In some sections where the trees live but five or six years, a new orchard is started every year, as the old trees are removed, and one good crop in three years may give a good profit for all the work done during several seasons."

—A postal received this week says: In the interest of true history, national and local patriotism and the right education of the young, I respectfully request your cooperation in securing photograghs or other illustrative matter, from which stereopticon pictures may be made, for a lecture on General Sullivan's Expedition against the Iroquois in New York, in 1779. I desire to secure by loan, purchase, or gift, photographs of monuments, relics, sites of Indian or army camps, scenery, portraits of Revolutionary commanders or soldiers serving with Sullivan, pictures of contemporary industries (prior to A. D 1800) or of anything associated with Sullivan's campaign; also, local publications, pamphlets or newspaper accounts of the historic march of 1779, in which the troops, especially of New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania and Delaware took part. All illustrative matter loaned will be carefully returned, or if purchased will be paid for, by agreement, at reasonable rate. The generous cooperation of all the patriotic and lovers of our history is solicited. Please address Rev. William Elliot Griffis, D. D., L. H. D., 216 South Geneva St., Ithaca, Tompkins County, N. Y.

Unclaimed Letters.

A list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Middletown post office which can be had by saying they are advertised; Mrs. M. E. Casper, Lidia Gould, Stella Salbury, James Jolly, George Rust, John St. Clair Wilser, (card.)

Champion Shot of the World

Miss Annie Oakley writes: "Myself and many of the Buffalo Bill Wild West Co. have given Allen's Foot Ease, the powder to shake into the shoes, a most thorough trial, and it does all if not more than you claim." It instantly takes the sting out of Corns and Bunions. Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for swollen, hot, aching, nervous or sweating feet. Sold by all Druggists and Shoe Stores, 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address Allen S. Olmstead, Le Roy, N. Y.

That Trolley

The "Index" says locally of the Milford —Woodland trolly: Counsel John D. Hawkins, who is negotiating the sale of the trolley franchises for Kent county, has stopped the negotiations, pending an investigation of the would-be purchasers. It is understood that there are four different syndicates after the franchises, and the present owners fear that two of these are buying for the Pennsylvania railroad, which would very speedily prevent any oppsition traffic or transportation in Kent county by making this purchase. On the other hand there are suspicions. "Farmer" writing the "Delawarean" from Milford says: "I notice by the daily papers that there is some friction between Attorney-General White and Hon. J. D. Hawkins as to the status of the trolley charter obtained from the Legislature some years ago for a line from Woodland Beach to Milford. There has been much said about this charter. In the name of many farmers interested I would like to ask, did the incorporators named in that original bill intend honestly to build that road, or did they simply obtain this charter for speculative purposes? From the manner in which the charter has been handled it looks very much like the latter. It's about time the farmers of this State expressed their opinion of Dover's legal lobbyists."

Death of John Harrington

John Harrington one of the best known men in Kent county died at his home in Felton at 5 o'clock Tuesday evening, after a lingering illness.

The deceased was in his 79th year having been born in 1821. All of his long and useful life had been spent in Kent county and he was a prominent factor in all its affairs. He was a Democrat from principle, and his allegiance to his party and its tenets was unswerving. He was honored and respected by Republicans also for his high character. He had been honored by his party associates having served in the Legislature in 1859 and again in 1887. He was also a member of the Levy Court for several terms and was Presidential elector in 1896. He had been trustee of the Potter estate since 1881, and his conscientious and painstaking service in the position won for him commendation from the Chancellors under whom he served.

His private and social traits were admirable, and he had hosts of friends.

In early life he married a daughter of Mr. Thomas B. Coursey and two daughters survive him, Mrs. Amos Turner, of Felton, and Mrs. Chas. Conwell, of near Rising Sun, Prof. Conwell having been in the faculty both of Conference Academy and Delaware College.

His funeral took place Thursday from his late home.

Mr. Dunning's Denial

It will be remembered J. P. Dunning, a native of Middletown, was reported to have written a note to Mrs. Botkin, while he stopped in San Francisco en route to Manila, to take position on the associated press. The note, it was alleged, begged forgiveness and restoration to the affections of the poisoner of his wife.

When the story was published Dunning was on the high sea en route to the Philippines and knew nothing of the scandal for weeks after it occured.

On Saturday a letter came from Manila dated June 29, to Mr. J. D. Deane, urging that the public be shown its contents for the sake of the little girl whose mother was stricken from her and for Dunning's Dover relatives. It contains a bitter denial from Dunning, which is readily accepted and believed in Dover. Mr. Deane had previously written the San Francisco police. Dunning says:

"I wrote immediately to the Chief of Police of San Francisco, telling him it was an infernal and malicious lie, from top to bottom. I asked him to have my letter published in any newspaper in San Francisco which had the decency to publish it. It may be that you will see my published statement to him before you get this.

"She probably saw a notice of my arrival in San Francisco newspapers, and she concocted that story herself, just to cause sympathy for herself and trouble for me. Of course, it was not published until after I had left and was far out at sea, without the power to contradict it before the world.

CAMP MEETINGS

Camden camp closed Monday night with a sermon by Rev. P. H. Rawlins, of Seaford. The feature of the camp, however, was "Old People's Day," the address being delivered by Rev. B. F. Price, the pioneer Methodist preacher of the Peninsula. Mr. Price has been preaching for 65 years, and, though 85 years old, is hale and vigorous. Received with a remarkable ovation the venerable preacher soon became enthused with his sermon and before he had completed the old Methodists, and some not so old, were indulging in old-fashioned revival shouting, three old churchmen jumping about the auditorium. They were encouraged in their enthusiasm by the ministers, who declared that there were young Methodists there who had not seen, in their lives, such a religious demonstration.

The Camp at Lamb's Woods, near Frankford, Del., in charge of Rev. F. F. Carpenter, came to a close on Monday morning. From first to last the services were characterized by a thorough and uniform cooperation of the Christian people. There were converts at every service. The young men and women took great interest in the altar services, pleading with penitents and friends. The social feature was almost obliterated.

The influence of the Wye camp meetings swept a wide circle. Among the 62 converted at the camp were persons from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D. C. The churches have been greatly strengthened, and Christian men and women have taken higher ground.

The camp meeting at Sand Hill, near Georgetown, is believed to have been the most successful held there for years. There was a large attendance and during the progress of the camp twenty-eight conversions were reported.

The few failures of the past year compared with those of preceding years, together with the increase operatives' pay in large establishments throughout the country, is pretty convincing proof of the good times now prevailing throughout the United States. And yet the calamity howler is not satisfied.

(For the TRANSCRIPT.)

DEWEY'S RETURN,

BY VICTORIA GARY, AGED 12 YEARS, GREAT-GRAND-DAUGHTER OF CÆSAR A. RODNEY.

Only one little voice out of millions to-day
Send him a welcome to brighten his way;
Dewey our hero, wonderous, brave,
Is advancing o'er the foaming wave.

Beating and dashing against the ship
The waves give joy to his homeward trip;
And they are gleefully joyous, too,
At his return o'er the roving blue.

For he knew how, when, and where, in stress of need,
Nobly done our Dewey in deed, indeed,
Such a specimen of bravery is truly rare,
Hobson and Schley did well, but cannot compare.

You thought a moment before you'd act,
Of how next your enemy you must attack;
Dewey, your welcome home will be great,
For to others in bravery you've opened the gate.

Ships of all nations go to greet you;
All natives throng to meet you;
Bands play, whistles shriek, and guns roar on your homeward route,
And the fleet gives a wild farewell as the Olympia passes out.

Oh! iron-clad Olympia you've fought your battles well,
And you have long stood against the foe's shot and shell,
You've done your duty long,
And have borne it firm and strong.

Dewey, thy name is cherished by the bravest and the best,
And mother's love and soldiers hearts welcome thee thy well-earned rest;
Though now in foreign lands you roam,
A glad hand we give thee to welcome you home.

TOWNSEND LETTER

Jacob Hill son of the late Jacob Hill, of Blackbird, died in Philadelphia Thursday after a brief illness. The deceased lived at Blackbird until twenty years ago when he went to Philadelphia and entered the commission business. He had been in bad health for some time partly caused by a gun shot wound in his right limb which he received several years ago. The wound had affected his foot but death was caused by blood poisoning brought on by cutting a corn on his foot too closely. Mr. Hill was forty-five years of age and leaves a wife and two children. He was well-known in Townsend and enjoyed the confidence and respect of his many friends here. Interment at Blackbird on Sunday.

The blackberry crop of southern New Castle county has been short this season, but quite profitable to the growers nevertheless. The price has ranged from 6 to 14 cents per quart and those sent to New York brought even more. The growers of this section did especially well with them.

Much interest is being shown in the movement to form an athletic association here. So far over $30.00 has been subscribed toward the movement and if the subscriptions continue to come in this way something definite will be decided upon in a short time.

One of our most popular young ladies painted her porch chairs recently and several nights ago one of them stuck to a pair of light pantaloons. These chairs are guaranteed to hold anything that sits on them.

William P. Wilson attended the second annual session of the Delaware Amateur Press Association at Dover on Monday.

Messrs. Wells, Herring & Co., will open their cannery on Tuesday next.

Tuesday evening a number of young men of Townsend gave their friends and visitors a strawride which was a delightful affair. A large wagon was secured and the merry crowd spent a delightful evening riding around the streets of Townsend and the surrounding country. Their laughter and singing could be heard quite a distance while the tin horns the boys blew were very much in evidence. Those who formed the party were: Miss Ethel Maloney, Miss Euphemia Collins, Miss Myrtle Townsend, Miss Margaret Townsend, Miss Virginia Hutchinson, Miss Luta Outten, Miss Viola Watts, Miss Helen Weldon, Miss Margaret Weldon, Miss Sadie Weldon, Miss Ruth Hutchinson; Messrs. Roy Hutchinson, Joseph Jones, Joseph Hutchison, Howard Hutchison, Count Hutchison, Barr Weldon and Charlie Blackson.

The following young people have just concluded their stay of ten days at Woodland Beach. And all of them report having had a thoroughly enjoyable time down by the "Soundery Sea" Misses Julia Staats, Josie Staats, Nina G. Scott, Mollie Gill, Nannie Townsend, Lizzie Disch, Elva Disch, Beulah Naylor, Lola Finley, Messrs. Harry Hart, Joseph Pritchard, Lee Maloney, Lee Lattamus, Walter Gill, Jacob Vandyke Elmer Pritchard, Archie Finley, Roland Reynolds, and John T. Dickey.

Wednesday was a great day at Woodland Beach. Among the pleasure seekers from Townsend and vicinity were: Mr. and Mrs. William Money, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hodgson, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hart, Miss Mary Money, Benj. Lockerman, Jr. and Wilmer Fennimore, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Wilson, who reside at Smyrna, were also of the party.

Miss Grantland, of Wilmington, returned home a few days since after spending an enjoyable season as the guest of Miss. Lonah H. Smith.

Mr. Lilyard Ayers has just gone to Dover after having passed a most enjoyable season as guest of the family of Mr. Benjamin Lockerman.

Mr. W. G. Garton, of Baltimore, is visiting his father here.

Miss Sadie Pinder, of Clayton, has been visiting Mrs. George Pinder on Delaware Avenue.

Miss Lena Foster, of Wilmington, is visiting Miss Outten on Taylor street.

Miss Maude Thomas, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Miss Jodie Guessford.

Miss Jump, of Baltimore, is visiting Miss Gertrude Hutchinson near town.

Mrs. Harry K. Stout has returned to her home at Chestertown.

Frank Watts is staying for a season at Cecilton.

Miss Jennie Wood of Golts Md. is visiting here.

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PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

Dr. C. P. Gilpin, of Chestertown, Md., is the guest of his brother, Dr. Thos. H. Gilpin, and family.

Mr. Louis M. Barnard, of New York, was in town on Monday. He looks well and reports business good.

Mrs. Hugh C. Browne, of Wilmington, was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Henrietta V. Parvis, and family this week.

The Misses Naudain and their guests have gone to Atlantic City for some days.

Mrs. Willie Lippincott, who has been the guest of Mrs. Melville Lindsey, of Washington, D. C., the past fortnight, has returned home.

Mrs. W. E. Barnard and Miss Helen Covington are at Rehoboth with friends from Kent county, Md. Dr. Barnard will join them next week.

Mrs. Thos. H. Gilpin has returned from Atlantic City.

Mrs. P. L. McWhorter is entertaining her brother, Mr. Alexander Walmsley, of the Quaker City.

Miss Sallie Hyatt has as her guests the Misses Hyatt of New York City and their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hyatt.

Mrs. S. E. Lewis and daughters have returned from an extended stay with relatives and friends in New Jersey and Pennsylvania.

Mr. Thos. S. Fouracre attended "Big Thursday" at Bowers' Beach with Milford friends.

Miss Lena Staats, of Middletown; Blanche Witcraft, Clara and Emma Stidham, of Wilmington, Del., have returned home after a two weeks' stay with friends and relatives in Kent.—Ex.

Mr. D. H. Russell visited friends in Chester and Philadelphia going to Milford by the Steamer Frederica on Tuesday.

Mr. Harry Richards, of Wilmington, visited his parents last Sunday.

Mrs. Frank I. Reynolds is visiting her grandfather, Mr. S. Shallcross, sr.

Mr. Martin E. Painter, recently moved to Wilmington, was in town this week.

CECIL REPUBLICAN TICKET

The Republicans of Cecil county held their primaries on Saturday last. They were warmly contested the following delegates being elected from the districts adjacent to Delaware:

First District—Thomas P. Jones, Jr., Israel Gunkle, John W. Taylor, Sr., Chas. H. Bennett, Isaac Taylor.

Second District—Walter Buckworth, W. C. Pyle, Chas. A. Stevens, Samuel Buckworth, George Peterson.

The County Convention was held on Monday, was largely attended, "harmonious but lively." Organization was effected by electing J. Wayne Reynolds, of the Sixth district, chairman, and Joseph L. Wells, of the Third district, secretary.

The following ticket was nominated, there being contest only for Sheriff and long term of County Commissioner:

State's Attorney, Frederick Taylor Haines, Elkton.

County Treasurer, Washington W. Davis, Port Deposit.

County Commissioner, long term, John W. Regan, Conowingo; short term, William D. Bradford, Chesapeake City.

Sheriff, Philip M. Groves, Elkton.

Orphans' Court, Robert A. Durhamel, Earleville; Alfred Kirk, Farmington, and James Gifford, Calvert.

House of Delegates, George M. Senderling, Fair Hill; Edward C. Wilson, Elk Neck; George S. McVey, Zion.

County Surveyor, Wilmer J. Falls, North East.

Delegates to State Convention, John L. Moore, Lewis L. Logan, W. M. McClure and John L. Clothers.

State Central Committee for Cecil County. William J. Smith, Joseph L. Wells, Hanson H. Haines and I. R. Dean.

The warmest contest for any office was that of Sheriff Philip M. Groves winning out on the fourth ballot, defeating Howard Terry by a vote of 26 to 19. Fred T. Haines, the nominee for States Attorney, is a son of L. Marshall Haines, who was the Republican nominee for Associate Judge of the First Judicial Circuit two years ago. Mr. Davis, the nominee for Treasurer, is a brother of the late James A. Davis, who for many years was Clerk of the Circuit Court. P. M. Groves, the nominee for Sheriff, is at present a Magistrate in Elkton.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, In the administration of President McKinley we recognize a wise, conservative policy under which the country has been blessed with unprecedented prosperity; we believe his eminent services are entitled to and will receive the hearty approval of every American citizen.

Resolved, We congratulate the republican party of the State of Maryland upon the economical and business like administration of Governor Lowndes. As the reforms that were promised the people by the party in 1895, have been carried out by the Executive and all branches of the State Government have been placed on a business basis; therefore be it.

Resolved, That the delegates to the State Convention on September 6, be and are here by instructed to vote for the renomination of the Hon. Lloyd Lowndes for Governor.

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REGISTER'S OFFICE, NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DEL., August 1st, 1899.

Upon the application of John S. Crouch and Franklin J. Penington, Executors of Samuel Penington, late of St. Georges Hundred, in said county, deceased, it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Executors aforesaid give notice of granting of Letters Testamentary upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the estate to present the same, or abide by an act of Assembly in such case made and provided; and also cause the same to be inserted within the same period in the Middletown TRANSCRIPT, a newspaper published in Middletown, Del., and to be continued therein two months.

(SEAL.) Given under the hand and seal of office of the Register aforesaid at Wilmington, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

CALVIN W. CROSSAN, Register.

NOTICE.—Notice is hereby given that Letters Testamentary were in due form of law granted unto the undersigned, on the First day of August, A. D. 1899, and that all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased must present the same, duly attested, to the said Executors, on or before the First day of August, 1900, or abide the Act of Assembly in such case made and provided.

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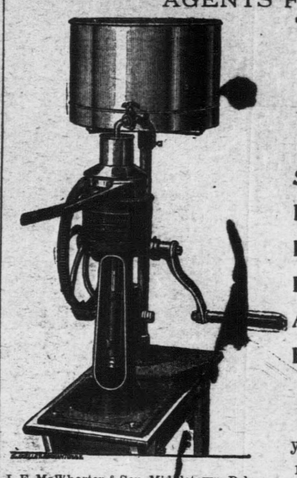

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Yours respt'y, HENRY CATTS.

SUMMIT BRIDGE, DELAWARE, October 25, 1898.

J. F. McWhorter & Son, Middletown, Del.

Dear Sirs:—The American Separator I bought from you is a good machine and will do all you claim for it: it increased my butter more than a pound per week on each cow that I was milking. I have had some experience with other makes, but like the American much better than any I have seen or tried, I consider it the lightest running machine on the market and the easiest to clean and operate, I would not part with mine if I could not get another, and I would advise anyone going to buy to get the American.

Yours truly, WALTER HEAVELOW.

KIRKWOOD, DELAWARE, November 2, 1898.

J. F. McWhorter & Son, Middletown, Del.

Gentlemen:—The American Separator I bought from you in June is all right, it has done everything you claim for it, and more; it increased my butter one pound per week on each cow I was milking, and my customers think it better butter. It saves fully one half the work of the old method of making butter, it takes all the cream from the milk without doubt; I find it quite an advantage in raising calves, also hogs; I think in these two alone I will this year make half the price of the machine. I paid $65 for my machine, but would not take a $100 if I could not get another American.

Yours, &c., W. B. FORD.

ELKTON, MARYLAND, October 31, 1898.

J. F. McWhorter & Son, Middletown, Del.

Gentlemen:—The American Separator we bought from you has given entire satisfaction; we find it has done everything you claim for it as far as we have had experience. Our cows were falling when you put the machine in, but I feel safe in saying that we have had an increase of butter; we are sure it takes all of the cream from the milk, is very easy to clean and operate; we think we make better butter and save a great deal of labor. You ask us in your letter if we would part with our machine for the price we paid if we could not get another American, our answer is we would not, Yours respt'y, MISS LYDIA A. REYNOLDS.

SMYRNA, DELAWARE, December 8, 1898.

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Gents:—Yours received, and will say in reply that we are very well pleased with the American Separator, we had a little trouble at first as we had never had any experience with a separator, but we are all right now and think it does everything you claim for it. My butter is better than when I used creamery and is much less work; it takes every particle of cream from the milk, and is very little work to clean and keep in order. Will close by saying once more, that we are well pleased with it. Yours respt'y, MRS. WILLIAM FORD.

CLAYTON, DELAWARE, November 2, 1898.

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Dear Sirs:—Your letter received asking me to write you what I thought of the American Separator I bought from you in April. Will say it is all right and if I could not get another I would not take three times what I gave you for it; they will skim perfectly clean and make grand, sweet butter. When I bought the Separator I was milking 12 cows and making about 40 pounds of butter per week, the first week I used the Separator it increased my butter to 60 pounds (a clear gain of 20 pounds). It is very easy to clean and no trouble to operate, and saves lots of work, and is a very light running machine. Wishing you success with the Separator, I am yours truly, JAMES H. REYNOLDS, Box 45, Clayton, Del.

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SECRET SOCIETIES.

Middletown Council, No. 2, Jr. O. U. A. M. Meets every Monday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Union Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M. Meets first Tuesday of each month in Town Hall.

Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F. Meets every Thursday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Damon Lodge, No. 12, K. of P. Meets every Wednesday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Major John Jones Post, No. 22, G. A. R. Meets every Friday night in Reynolds Building at 7 o'clock

Welcome Conclave Heptasophs. Meets every second and fourth Friday night in K of P. Hall.

Union Lodge, No. 6, A. O. U. W., meets every 2d and 4th Tuesday night in McWhorter's Hall.

LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Volunteer Hose Company, meets first Friday night of each month in Hose House.

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Topic For the Week Beginning Aug. 13, "A Service of Promises." Text, John xiv, 1-14.

"I will come again and receive you unto Myself."

Jesus had eaten the Passover supper with the apostles and then had told them of His intention to leave them for awhile, and that it would be impossible for them to follow Him. Three years they had followed Him, giving up all their previous business, and now the prospect of disbanding came suddenly upon them. The real facts of what was to occur—the crucifixion, resurrection, ascension, Pentecost—were all unknown to them and from the nature of the case could not even be surmised. It seemed as if the failure of all expectations was at hand, the collapse of all prospects of success in connection with this One, whom they had looked upon as the "anointed" of God.

It was impossible for Jesus to make matters more plain to them. That could only be done by the development of events.

But He could keep their courage alive by promises which would stimulate hope, awaken anticipation, and, as they were fulfilled, would make their faith stronger. He gives four promises of deepest import and widest scope:

1. Though He was to leave them, it was only that He might go ahead and prepare a place for them. This promise is not to the 11 alone, but is for Christ's followers in all ages. He is absent. We long to see Him. But in all our yearning for His presence there is the consciousness that He is busy. He is getting the new home ready. We are to prepare the bride, the church, for the great home coming. This is still preparation time for Him and us. By and by the marriage supper. Be diligent!

2. He promises to come and receive them to Himself. This also means all God's saints. Many ask, as Peter says in his epistle, "Where is the promise of His coming?" because all the little world in the rim of their heroism shows no change. But believers look for Him, work for Him, pray for His coming, and patiently wait. Be watchful and diligent!

3. He had done great works—healed the sick, opened the eyes of the blind, cured lepers, raised the dead and taught truth regarding God, man and the world as never man understood before. Moses had done great works, but Jesus surpassed him in wonders and wisdom. No man had ever spoken as He had; no one performed such prodigies. Now He promises "greater works than these shall ye do." That means His believers in all lands and for all time. How is it possible? It is incredible till Pentecost comes. Then, filled with power, sinful men, saved by grace, preach the truth, and sinners become saints. If possible, it is more wonderful than the work of the Sinless One. It continues. The Holy Ghost still inspires and the disciples still proclaim the gospel, and it still saves all who believe.

4. He throws wide open the doors of the Divine treasure house. He countersigns in advance every petition of His brethren, "Whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do." The only proviso is that it is asked in His name. We are coming to know the meaning of that more clearly as the years pass. "In His name!" Not for self, not in pride, anger, malice; humbly, lovingly, trustingly, all faith, all hope, all charity, is bound up in it, and He keeps His fourfold promise. Work and wait.

That Prayer Meeting.

I mean the regular midweek meeting of the church. When one is first converted and full of ardor, how regular he is in attendance and how ready to speak and pray! What life and spirit there is to the singing and the greetings at the close! What desire and persuasion that others attend and take part! All goes so well and our spiritual life grows strong and full. Then there comes too often a period of drifting. Something prevents attendance for a week or two, interest slackens with absence, and then the service is neglected, duties are forgotten or refused and the soul is adrift. How is it with yourself?

It is easy to say, "I am as good a Christian as ever." But the fact remains, if you neglect the prayer meeting instead of using it as in times past you are not as good a Christian, but weaker, less helpful to others, farther from God, less joyous, hopeful and faithful. You need the prayer meeting.

The Quiet Hour.

Many of those who have reached the upper heights of Christian experience have been in the habit of having a special time each day set apart for reading the Bible, meditation and prayer. Whoever would learn anything must take time and concentrate thought upon it. No one can become acquainted with the things of God without taking time and giving thought to it. One may "say his prayers" through a long lifetime and yet never understand what prayer is. One may live in God's world till old age and yet never come to know God. If you have any desire after godliness and purity of heart and life, set apart some time in each day when you can shut out all the world and shut yourself in with Him. Then sit at Jesus' feet and let Him talk to you through the Bible, through the Holy Spirit. Is not this thing needful in your life?

In His Presence.

Lord, what a change within us one short hour
Spent in Thy presence will avail to make;
What heavy burdens from our bosoms take;
What parched grounds refresh as with a shower!
We kneel, and all around us seems to lower;
We rise, and all—the distant and the near—
Stands out in sunny outline, brave and clear.
We kneel, how weak! We rise, how full of power!
Why, therefore, should we do ourselves this wrong,
Or others that we are not always strong;
That we are ever overborne with care;
That we should ever weak or restless be,
Anxious or troubled, when with us is prayer,
And joy and strength and courage are with Thee!
—R. C. Trench.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Topic For the Week Beginning Aug. 13—Comment by Rev. S. H. Doyle,

TOPIC.—A service of promises.—John xiv, 1-14.

The preciousness, number and variety of God's promises in Christ are strikingly illustrated in this passage of Scripture. God's fidelity to His promises is also revealed, for some of them have already been fulfilled. Here are 14 verses, the dying words of Christ to His disciples. And yet laden down with the richest and most precious promises, in their extent embracing the end of time—yes, even the breadth of eternity. Let us study some of these invaluable promises here recorded.

1. The promise of a future home in heaven. "In My Father's house are many mansions. * * * I go to prepare a place for you * * * that where I am there ye may be also." What a precious promise we have here. Millions of dying pillows have been lightened by it and millions of broken, bereaved hearts comforted by these priceless words of Christ. No promise of Christ is more often read than this one. None has brought greater comfort and strength to His disciples amid the afflictions, bereavements, temptations and hardships of life.

2. The promise of His second coming. "I will come again." If they had only understood Him, how the disciples would have been comforted in the midst of their sorrows, how they would have been inspired to increased zeal and fidelity in His cause. Christ has gone from earth, but, most precious promise, He is coming again.

3. The promise of power, "He that believeth in Me, the works that I do, shall he do also, and greater works than these shall he do, because I go unto My Father." Divine power is here promised. The work that Christ did the disciples were to do and even greater works. Christ was going to His Father, the source of all power, and thence He would be able to give them even greater power. This promise was fulfilled to the disciples. The power of Christ became their power. They performed miracles, as He had performed them, and even greater spiritual works were performed by them after the Holy Ghost came. By belief, by faith we can possess this power to do wonderful works for Christ.

4. The promise to answer prayer, "If ye shall ask anything in My Name, I will do it." Oh, the privilege and power of prayer. We may not understand the philosophy of prayer, but we can accept the promise of Christ to answer our prayers.

How precious, how priceless these promises, but they are only so to those who believe them and act upon them. Let us do so, for "He is faithful who hath promised."

Bible Readings.—Num. xxiii, 19; Deut. vii, 9; Josh. xxiii, 14; Ps. lxxxix, 1-4; cv, 42; Luke i, 69-75; Rom. i, 1, 2; iv, 20, 21; II Cor. i, 19, 20; Eph. iii, 1-7; II Tim. i, 1; Titus i, 1, 2; Heb. vi, 10-20; viii, 6; x, 23; II Pet. i, 4.

Following Divine Leadings.

The temptation to believe that God doth not concern Himself directly with our individual affairs is incessant. In some cases it is due to our sense of being lost in the crowd, of the insignificance of an individual, no matter how important, in comparison with the millions of human beings whom God must have equally in mind with ourselves. In other cases it is due to genuine humility, to the conviction that we, at our best, are too humble to receive special divine aid. But God Himself has taught us the contrary. It is a characteristic of His infinite nature that He is able and willing to interest Himself in every one of His created beings, and that He literally does this. It is only acting the part of a true believer, therefore, to appreciate that divine leadings are vouchsafed to us for our following, nor does experience fail to confirm the fact. Thousands of believers have borne witness to it in emphatic language. Most of us, who have been Christians for any considerable time, have been conscious of it.—Congregationalist.

No Standing Still.

A perfect childhood is a growth. Jesus grew in stature and in favor with God and man. The child that does not develop is unhealthy. Growth is normal and necessary. So it is with a Christian. He must grow; there is no standing still for the child of God. Each new day should find him stronger and wiser—stronger to resist temptation and to serve the Master, and wiser in knowing his will and performing his work.—William T. Ellis.

Forgetfulness of Self.

A devout woman once wrote thus "In my own family I try to be as little in the way as possible, satisfied with everything, and never to believe for a moment that any one means unkindly toward me. If people are friendly and kind to me, I enjoy it; if they neglect me or leave me, I am always happy alone. It all tends to my one aim—forgetfulness of self in order to please God."—Catholic Universe.

Hold Sorrow.

Hold sorrow till its most selfish aspect passes, till it turns its religious side to you, till time and experience and faith do their work, till you feel not its gloom, but its glory; not its cross, but its crown. Do not through any device lose its sanctifying influence, the greatest loss the soul can meet.—J. F. W. Ware.

The Only Religion.

Christianity is the only religion with a child in its system of salvation, and therefore it is the only religion for childhood.—William T. Ellis.

The Wonder of It.

Knowledge can never take the wonder out of God's world.—Professor George A. Smith, D. D.

TO FIRST VOTERS.

There is a constitutional provision which will become operative before the next general election is held, of which the general public may not be aware, although it has been published in connection with the Constitutional Convention. It is an educational test. It is "that no person who becomes of age or who is naturalized after January 1st, 1900, shall be permitted to vote who shall not be able to read the Constitution in English, and be capable of writing his name."

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	PAS. A. M.	EXP. A. M.	PAS. P. M.	MAIL P. M.	MAIL P M	EXP P. M
Philadelphia	27 25	10.20	21.52	3.46	3.56	11.10
Baltimore	4.10	9.15	12 05	1.46	4:20	7.53
Wilmington	8 13	11.04	2.35	4.27	6:55	11.56
Farnhurst	f 8.32		f 2 44		7.04	
New Castle	8 27	f 11.21	2.49	4.39	7:09	
State Road	f8.33		f 2.54		7:14	
Bear	f8.38		f 2.59	f 4.48	7:19	
Porter	8.45		f 3.04	4.52	7:25	
Kirkwood	8.50		f 3.09		7:30	
Mt. Pleasant	8.59		f 3.17		f 7:38	
Armstrong	f 9.03		f 3.21		f 7:42	
Middletown	9.08	11.50	3.26	5.18	7:48	12.39
Townsend	9.17		3.34	5 28	7:56	
Blackbird	f 9.22		f 3.39		f 8:01	
Gr'n Spring	f 9.27		f 3.45		f8:07	
Clayton	9 33	12 07	3.51	5.42	8:13	12.47
Smyrna LV	9 28	11.57	3.41	5 21	8:08	
Brenford	f9.38		f 3.59		f8:18	
Cheswold	f9.43		f 4.04		f8:24	
Dupont			f 4.07			
Dover	9.58	12.23	4.14	5.59	8:34	1.16
Wyoming	10.05	f 12.29	4.20	6.06	8:40 a	1.24
Woodside	f 10.11			f 6.11	f 8:47	
Viola	f 10.15			f 6.15	f 8.51	
Felton	10.20	f 12.40		6.20	8.56 a	1.38
Harrington	10 34	12.53		6.33	9.07	1.50
Farmington	f 10.42 a	1.02		f 6.41	f 9.15	
Greenwood	f 10.50	f 1.08		f 6.49	f 9.23	
Bridgeville	10.58	f 1.16		6.57	9.31 a	2.14
Cannons	f 11 03			f 7.02	f 9.36	
Seaford	11.13	1.27		7.11	9 45	2.26
Laurel	11.23	f 1.37		7.21	9.56 a	2.38
Delmar	11.33	1.46		7.30	10.05	2.50

NORTHWARD.

	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. A. M.	MAIL A. M.	EXP. P. M.	PAS P. M
Delmar	11.08		7.00	8.00	2 15	5.30
Laurel	f 1.21		7.11	8.10	2.25	5.41
Seaford	1.34		7.23	8.24	2.35	5.56
Cannons			f 7.31	f 8.31		f 6.04
Bridgeville	f 1.48		7.37	8.37	f 2.46	6.11
Greenwood			f 7.45	f 8.45	f 2.54	f 6.19
Farmington			f 7.53	f 8.53		f 6.27
Harrington	2.22		8.05	9 06	3.08	6:40
Felton	f 2.33		8.14	9.16	f 3.18	6:49
Viola			f 8.18	f 9.20		f 6:53
Woodside			f 8.22	f 9.24		f 6:57
Wyoming	p 2:46	p6.57	8.29	9.31	f 3.30	5:05
Dover	2.52	7.03	8.35	9.38	3.36	5:11
Dupont		f 7.08				
Cheswold		f 7.13		f 9.48		f 5:20
Brenford		f 7.18		f 9.53		f 5:25
Smyrna LV		7.15	8.42	9 50	3.41	5:25
Clayton	3.09	7.25	8.53	10.00	3.54	5:31
Gr'n Spring		f 7.29				f 5:37
Blackbird		f 7.35		f 10.09		f 5:43
Townsend		7.40	9 06	10 14	4 07	5:50
Middletown	3.30	7.50	9 15	10.24	4 16	5:58
Armstrong		f 7.54				f 6:02
Mt. Pleasant		7.58		f 10 33		6:06
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